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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: OVIP (VANCE, CYRUS R)
SUBJ: PRESS GUIDANCE ON SECRETARY'S MEETING WITH CHIEFS OF MISSION

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1. EMB HAD QUERIES FROM AFP AND REUTERS PROMPTED BY FRONT PAGE BOXED NEWS ITEM IN AMMAN DAILY AR-RAI TODAY STATING SECY WILL HAVE COM MEETING HERE WITH "ALL U.S. AMBASSADORS ACCREDITED TO ARAB NATIONS."
2. AGENCIES SEEK CLARIFICATION OF THIS PUBLISHED REPORT IN VIEW OF RECENT MIDDLE EAST NEWS AGENCY DESPATCH INDICATING CAIRO AS VENUE.
3. EMB HAS RESPONDED REFERRING INQUIRIES TO DEPT AND SECRETARY'S TRAVELLING PARTY AS MOST LEGITIMATE SOURCE ON STORY.

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4. AS IMPLIED IN PARA 3 REFTTEL, WE ASSUME DEPT SPOKESMAN OR TRAVELING PARTY WOULD PREFER TO HANDLE INITIAL COMMENT ON THIS POINT. WE WOULD THEN FOLLOW YOUR LEAD WITH LOCAL AGENCIES WHICH, WE BELIEVE, WE CAN NOW HOLD FOR REASONABLE PERIOD WITH REFERRAL TO WASHINGTON OR PARTY. PLEASE ADVISE IF DIFFERENT HANDLING IS DESIRED.

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